

ABSTRACT

STENT WITH NESTED FLEXIBLE CONNECTORS FOR FLEXIBILITY AND CRIMPABILITY

5 A stent comprises two serpentine bands, at least one first connector; and
at least one second connector. The first and second connectors connect the two
serpentine bands together. The first connector and the second each have at least a first
portion of a first curvature and a second portion of a second curvature. The second
portion being more flexible than the first portion. The first and second connectors are
10 adjacent one another and the first portion of the first connector nests within the second
portion of the second connector and the second portion of the second connector nests
within the first portion of the first connector.